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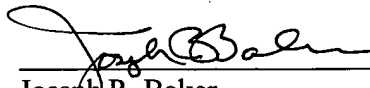
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REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 4, 7, 12, 19, 22-25, 29, 41, 44, 47, 48, 53, 65, 68, 70-73, 77 and 85 have been amended. New claims 91-97 have been added. Support for the amendments to claim 1 and new claims 91-97 can be found, for example, at page 28, Table 2, claim 4 and 22 as originally filed. For example, inorganic conductors can be divided into a number of subgroups, each subgroup having characteristics particular to their conductivity. SnO_2 , for example, would have a different conductivity, oxidation and reduction state compared to, for example, Ag or other transition metals, which are characterized in the periodic chart. Accordingly, SnO_2 would not behave or have the same conductivity as, for example, metals and metal alloys (e.g., transition metals). The amendments to the remaining claims are to correct antecedent basis, grammatical and typographical errors and correct dependencies. No fee is believed to be due in conjunction with the filing of this amendment. However, should any fee be due or any credit be applied to the present communication the Examiner is authorized to charge or credit Deposit Account No. 50-1355 for such amount. If the Examiner would like to discuss any of the issues raised in this Preliminary Amendment, Applicants' representative can be reached at (858) 677-1427.

Respectfully submitted,

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